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FOIPA Request No.: 1181761- 000
Subject: GOODMAN, MARTIN

Dear Mr. Shemkovitz:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request.

In order to respond to our many requests in a timely manner, our focus is to identify responsive records in the automated and manual indices that are indexed as main files. A main index record carries the names of subjects of FBI investigations. Records which may be responsive to your FOIPA request were destroyed from February 21, 1955 to April 27, 1990. Since this material could not be reviewed, it is not known if it was responsive to your request. The retention and disposal of records is governed by statute and regulation under the supervision of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), Title 44, United States Code, Section 3301 and Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 12, Sub-chapter B, Part 1228. The FBI Records Retention Plan and Disposition Schedules have been approved by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia and are monitored by NARA.

It is unnecessary to adjudicate your fee waiver because no responsive main file records were processed.

You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), U.S. Department of Justice, 1425 New York Ave., NW, Suite 11050, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001. Your appeal must be received by OIP within sixty (60) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be identified easily.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of the FBI File Fact Sheet.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Hardy", is written over a horizontal line.

David M. Hardy
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Enclosure